

**RULE CV-72.            MAGISTRATE JUDGES, PRETRIAL MATTERS**

The magistrate judges of this Court are authorized to perform all the duties allowed to magistrate judges under the Federal Magistrates Act as amended in 28 United States Code § 636. The magistrate judges of this court are designated to exercise civil jurisdiction under section 636(c)(1) upon consent of the parties. Whenever applicable, the "Local Rules of the Assignment of Duties to United States Magistrate Judges" found at **Appendix "C"** herein, shall apply to proceedings before the magistrate judges.